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SUBJ: FAREWELL CALL ON ADDERLEY: VESCO YACHT, DRUG
TRAFFICKERS

REF: NASSAU 0601

1. DURING APRIL 28 FAREWELL CALL ON ADDERLEY (REFTEL) I
RAISED TWO OTHER ISSUES: A) USG ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN SEIZURE
OF VESCO YACHT "ZODIAC"; AND B) LIGHT SENTENCES METED OUT
RECENTLY TO DRUG TRAFFICKERS. ADDERLEY WAS HELPFUL ON
BOTH.

2. CONCERNING "ZODIAC," PRESENTLY TIED UP IN NASSAU HARBOR,
ADDERLEY NOTED HALF IN JEST THAT VESSEL NOW HAD PANAMANIAN
REGISTRY. TURNING SERIOUS, HE SAID HE SHARED OUR SUSPICIONS
THAT VESCO WAS STILL THE OWNER AND PROMISED TO DO ALL HE
COULD LEGALLY TO HELP US TO SEIZE VESSEL. HE SUGGESTED THAT
COURT ACTION MIGHT BE NECESSARY. I TOLD HIM, IN TURN, THAT
WE WOULD SOON BE COMING TO HIM WITH A COURT ORDER.

3. DRAWING CAREFUL DISCINCTION BETWEEN CASUAL USERS AND
NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS, I TOLD ADDERLEY I WAS APPALLED AT
RECENT LIGHT SENTENCES METED OUT TO THE LATTER. I

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SPECIFICALLY CITED THE RECENT SOUGH CHINA SEAS CASE IN
WHICH OWNERS RECEIVED SOLS 1000 FINES AND VESSEL WAS RELEASED.
ADDERLEY SAID HE WAS PARTICULARLY SURPRISED THAT VESSEL HAD
BEEN FREED AND PROMISED TO LOOK INTO THE MATTER. (THE
LIGHT SENTENCES METED OUT BY THE MAGISTRATE INVOLVED,
HE ADDED, WERE A MATTER OF CONTINUING CONCERN TO HIM AND
CHIEF JUSTICE.) BY CONTRAST, ADDERLEY AGREED THAT FINES

FOR CASUAL USERS (DOLS 500-700) WERE EXCESSIVE AND EXPRESSED
SYMPATHY FOR THOSE "WHO HAVE ONLY A FEW CIGARETTES OBVIOUSLY
FOR THEIR OWN USE."
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